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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 299853

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OAS WRAP-UP

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1. AMBASSADOR MAILLIARD AND DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE BOB WHITE RETURNED FROM VISITS TO A NUMBER OF LA CAPITALS LAST WEEK. AT MOST STOPS, THEY FOUND RELATIVELY CONSTRUCTIVE ATTITUDES TOWARD OUR PROPOSALS FOR REDIRECTING REFORM PROCESS INTO BROADER CONSIDERATION OF OAS AS AN ENTITY. LIMA AND PANAMA, LEADERS IN CHARTER REVISION PROCESS TO DATE, WERE NOTABLE EXCEPTIONS. CLEAR MAJORITY OF FOREIGN MINISTERS APPROACHED DURING TRIP OR BY RESIDENT US AMBASSADORS URGED THAT US CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN PERMANENT COUNCIL REVIEW OF NEW DRAFT TREATY UNTIL RESULTING DOCUMENT CIRCULATED TO GOVERNMENTS FOR COMMENT. IMPLICATION WAS AT THIS STAGE CONSENSUS CAN BE NEGOTIATED ON OFFENSIVE ARTICLES AND BROADENED APPROACH TO REFORM CONSIDERED AT FOREIGN OFFICE LEVEL.

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2. AT OAS, WE HAVE CONTINUED TO PARTICIPATE IN ARTICLE BY

ARTICLE REVIEW AT DAILY SESSIONS OF PERMANENT COUNCIL. US DELEGATION PROPOSED SERIES OF AMENDMENTS AIMED AT IMPROVING LANGUAGE OR DELETING CONCEPTS WE OPPOSE FROM MOST ARTICLES OF DRAFT CHARTER. BULK OF THESE CHANGES WERE SUGGESTED BEFORE AT EARLIER STAGES OF PROCESS AND WERE DEFEATED BY WIDE MARGINS. SAME PROCESS NOW BEING REPEATED IN PC WITH FOLLOWING RESULTS:

US AMENDMENT NO. 1 (ARTICLE 1)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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US	MEXICO	NICARAGUA	HONDURAS
	PANAMA	TRINIDAD/TOBAGO	PARAGUAY
	PERU	COLOMBIA	GRENADA
	DOM. REPUB.	GUATEMALA	JAMAICA
	URUGUAY	HAITI	
	VENEZUELA		
	ARGENTINA		
	BARBADOS		
	BOLIVIA		
	BRAZIL		
	COSTA RICA		
	CHILE		
	ECUADOR		
	EL SALVADOR		

TOTAL: 1	14	5	4
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NO. 1,A. (ARTICLE 1)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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US	MEXICO	HAITI	HONDURAS
	PANAMA	NICARAGUA	JAMAICA
	PARAGUAY	TRINIDAD/TOBAGO	GRENADA
	PERU	URUGUAY	
	DOM. REPUB.	BRAZIL	
	VENEZUELA	COLOMBIA	

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ARGENTINA	CHILE
BARBADOS	EL SALVADOR
BOLIVIA	GUATEMALA
COSTA RICA	
ECUADOR	

TOTAL: 1	11	9	3
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SUBCOMMITTEE TEXT - (ARTICLE 1)

YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT

HAITI US HONDURAS
JAMAICA GRENADA
MEXICO
NICARAGUA
PANAMA
PARAGUAY
PERU
DOM. REPUB.
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO
URUGUAY
VENEZUELA
ARGENTINA
BARBADOS
BOLIVIA
BRAZIL
COLOMBIA
COSTA RICA
CHILE
ECUADOR
EL SALVADOR
GUATEMALA

TOTAL: 21 0 1 2

OUR NO. 2 - (ARTICLE 2,C)

YES NO ABSTAIN ABSENT

US COSTA RICA BRAZIL GRENADA
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ECUADOR COLOMBIA
EL SALVADOR CHILE
MEXICO GUATEMALA
PANAMA HAITI
PERU HONDURAS
URUGUAY JAMAICA
BOLIVIA NICARAGUA
PARAGUAY
DOM. REPUB.
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO
VENEZUELA
ARGENTINA
BARBADOS

TOTAL: 1 8 14 1

SUBCOMMITTEE TEXT - (ARTICLE 2,C)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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BRAZIL		US	GRENADA
COLOMBIA			GUATEMALA
COSTA RICA			
CHILE			
ECUADOR			
EL SALVADOR			
HAITI			
HONDURAS			
JAMAICA			
MEXICO			
NICARAGUA			
PANAMA			
PARAGUAY			
PERU			
DOM. REPUB.			
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO			
URUGUAY			
VENEZUELA			
ARGENTINA			
BARBADOS			
BOLIVIA			
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TOTAL: 21 0 1 2

OUR NO. 3 - (ARTICLE 2,E)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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US	COSTA RICA	BRAZIL	COLOMBIA
	CHILE	GUATEMALA	GRENADA
	ECUADOR	HAITI	
	EL SALVADOR	HONDURAS	
	MEXICO	JAMAICA	
	PANAMA	NICARAGUA	
	PERU	PARAGUAY	
	VENEZUELA	DOM. REPUB.	
	ARGENTINA	TRINIDAD/TOBAGO	
	BOLIVIA	URUGUAY	
		BARBADOS	

TOTAL: 1 10 11 2

SUBCOMMITTEE TEXT - (ARTICLE 2,E)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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COSTA RICA		US	BRAZIL
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CHILE	COLOMBIA
ECUADOR	GRENADA
EL SALVADOR	
GUATEMALA	
HAITI	
HONDURAS	
JAMAICA	
MEXICO	
NICARAGUA	
PANAMA	
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VENEZUELA
 ARGENTINA
 BARBADOS
 BOLIVIA

TOTAL: 20 0 1 3

OUR NO. 4 - (ARTICLE 2,F)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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US	COSTA RICA	BRAZIL	COLOMBIA
	CHILE	HAITI	GRENADA
	ECUADOR	HONDURAS	PARAGUAY
	EL SALVADOR	JAMAICA	
	GUATEMALA	NICARAGUA	
	MEXICO	DOM. REPUB.	
	PANAMA	ARGENTINA	
	PERU	BARBADOS	
	TRINIDAD/ TOBAGO		
	URUGUAY		
	VENEZUELA		
	BOLIVIA		

TOTAL: 1 12 8 3

SUBCOMMITTEE TEXT - (ARTICLE 2,F)

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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BRAZIL	US	COLOMBIA
COSTA RICA		GRENADA
CHILE		PARAGUAY

ECUADOR
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NICARAGUA
PANAMA
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DOM. RPUB.
TRINIDAD/TOBAGO
URUGUAY
VENEZUELA
ARGENTINA
BARBADOS
BOLIVIA

TOTAL: 20 0 1 3

3. PERMANENT COUNCIL VOTED TO ACCEPT CHILE'S OFFER TO HOLD OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN SANTIAGO NEXT JUNE BY MARGIN OF 17 TO TWO (MEXICO/JAMAICA) WITH FIVE ABSTENTIONS (US, VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO AND BARBADOS). FOLLOWING VOTE, AMBASSADOR MAILLIARD MADE STATEMENT EXPLAINING OUR ABSTENTION IN TERMS OF CHILE'S PERFORMANCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS (SEE STATE 297303).

4. OAS SECRETARIAT REQUESTED THAT SCCN MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK BE POSTPONED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST BY MEMBER STATES. MEETING MAY BE RESCHEDULED IN LATE FEBRUARY TO DISCUSS OUR NEW GSP PRODUCT LIST AND REGULATIONS.

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